Each year, National Public Works Week serves as a reminder of the value of public works in our communities. As part of this celebration, public works officials across America strive to increase public awareness and appreciation of their profession.

From the design, building, and maintenance of our public works infrastructure to promoting water quality and stewardship of the environment, public works is a substantial and vital part of our daily lives. The health, safety, and comfort of our residents depend upon the efficient delivery of quality public works services.

The mission of the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works is to provide public infrastructure and municipal services to protect and enrich the daily lives of over ten million people in the County of Los Angeles. That charge is demonstrated through the service-oriented resolve of our Public Works employees, from administrators and support staff to our crews in the field. We all owe a great debt of gratitude to the dedicated personnel who staff Public Works.

This year's national theme is "Public Works: Creating a Lasting Impression," which reminds us that public works infrastructure, facilities, and services are of vital

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importance to the health, safety, and well-being of the people of this County. It also speaks to the never-ending effort of public works professionals to use sustainable solutions to provide communities with the highest quality of life within a framework of environmental, social, and economic responsibility.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims the week of May 20 through May 26, 2012, as NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK throughout the County of Los Angeles, and all residents are encouraged to reflect with pride and gratitude on the contributions and achievements of our public works professionals.

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